



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

Taiji EMA

Serial Number: 09/050,113

Group Art Unit: 2815

Filed: March 30, 1998

Examiner: M. Warren

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCLUDING CONTACT HOLES BETWEEN ADJACENT CONDUCTOR PATTERNS AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 27, 2001

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2001, for two months from October 31, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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